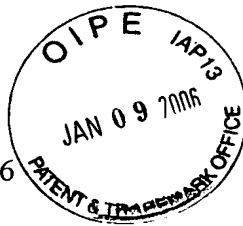


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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2005 and the Advisory Action dated December 22, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.